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EAST LAS VEGAS, NEW MEXICO, SATURDAY EVENING, MAY 14, 1898.

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## SPANISH SHIPS ARE SKEDADDLING AS IF FROM OLD SATAN

### ANOTHER FOUGHT AND WON

#### An Engagement Off Cienfuegos Ends the Usual Way

#### SPANISH TROOPS CAN'T STOP AMERICANS

#### Light House, Arsenal, Batteries and Fortifications Destroyed and the City Fired.

#### CUBA'S LAST CABLE CUT BY THE AMERICANS

Key West, Fla., May 14.—In an engagement off Cienfuegos, Wednesday, one sailor on the *Marblehead* was killed and six severely wounded. Many Spaniards were killed or wounded.

**LIST OF WOUNDED.**  
Key West, May 14.—The three wounded Americans are likely to die. The wounded were brought here this morning. The man killed on the *Marblehead* was Regan. The badly wounded are: John Davis, New York; John F. Doran, Fall River; Robert Bolte, Nashville, N. C.; Ernest Suttles, Norfolk, Va.; Herman W. Hochstetler and Harry Hendrickson. All but Robert Bolte belong to the *Marblehead*. None of the ships were damaged. None of the ships were damaged. None of the ships were damaged.

**OFFICERS WOUNDED.**  
New York, May 14.—A special from Key West reports that in the fight at Cienfuegos Commander Washburn Maynard and Lieutenant Cameron M. Winslow, of the gun boat *Nashville*, were slightly wounded.

**HOW IT HAPPENED.**  
Key West, May 14.—The United States cruiser *Marblehead*, the gun boat *Nashville*, and the auxiliary cruiser *Cienfuegos* early Wednesday with orders to cut the cable connecting Havana with Santiago de Cuba. This task was accomplished after a terrific fight between our warships and several thousand Spanish troops, which lined the shore and lay concealed behind improvised breastworks. Spanish Regan, of the *Marblehead*, was killed outright in one of the working small boats, and six men were severely wounded. In addition a large number on the ships received minor wounds.

**ACCOUNT OF AFFAIR.**  
When the Spaniards opened fire the *Marblehead* sent a shell inland, followed with a perfect shower of shot. The *Nashville* followed and the little *Windom* cut loose with her four pounders. Meanwhile the Spanish bullets fell in every direction, around the small boats. The *Blue Jacket*, protected by the terrific return of fire from the ships, continued their work until the cable was cut.

The Spaniards suffered a severe loss. Shots from the light house struck the war ships several times. The fire of the war ships was concentrated upon the light house, and improvised fort was blown to pieces. As great numbers of Spaniards were in and behind the fort, there is no doubt that many were killed. Commander Washburn Maynard, of the *Nashville*, was slightly wounded by a spent bullet.

**THE RESULT.**  
The dispatch adds that the Spanish loss is estimated at 400 and that of the United States fleet was four killed and four wounded.

The light house was demolished, the arsenal destroyed, the batteries on shore silenced, and the forts blown up. The town was set on fire by the shells.

**The Spanish Story.**  
Madrid, May 14.—A dispatch to the *Liberal* from Manila, May 9, sent by special steamer to Hong Kong, says:—

The arsenal surrendered and Cavite has been evacuated. The Spanish losses are 300 men killed and 600 wounded. The enemy suffered considerably, including an officer killed on the Olympia. The Baltimore was damaged. Our shells did not burst. All the enemy's shells burst.

The Yankees burned the merchant ships. Corregidor Island was betrayed. The Consultative assembly is discussing the horrible situation created by hunger and misery. We are isolated by the blockade and are in fear of immediate attack. Admiral Dewey says he will not bombard the town without his Government's orders. He also says he hopes the general rebellion will take place within four days. News batteries are on foot in Pampanga.

**Troops Concentrating.**  
CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., May 14.—The First and Tenth Regiments of cavalry left for Tampa, this morning. Only General Brooke, with his staff, one company of the Eighth Infantry, and the signal corps remains. Thousands of volunteers are en route here, and the first are expected to get in tomorrow night.

**Havana Buhring.**  
Key West, Fla., May 14.—A tale of great suffering in Havana was brought here today by Major Lima, Inspector of the northern coast of Cuba, of the Cuban army under Gen. Alexander Rodriguez, who arrived here today with four officers of his staff. Major Lima was taken off the coast of Cuba between Del Norte and Gijmar, by the United States gun boat and transferred to the torpedo boat, which vessel brought him here.

Major Lima says that the uprising in the vicinity of Havana has brought about a frightful condition of starvation. Cart loads of the reconcentration, who have died from lack of food, are taken daily through the Spanish lines. The bodies are thrown together without any form of burial, for buzzards to feed upon. Lima asserts that the Cubans around Havana are gathering strength every day, but explains that they are in need of supplies.

**He Doesn't Want It.**  
WASHINGTON, May 14.—No official report has been received here confirming the published statement that the city and fortifications of San Juan surrendered to Admiral Sampson, nor is any expected for the reason that the statement is not given credence in official circles.

**Count on Uncle Sam.**  
LONDON, May 14.—The Stock Exchange today closed distinctly pessimistic. War rumors were freely circulated. A member of the Government is reported to have prophesied that war between France and Great Britain will break out within a month.

**San Juan Surrendered.**  
NEW YORK, May 14.—A special to the *Herald* from Washington says: President McKinley received a dispatch Friday night, which came through Haytian sources announcing the complete capitulation of the city and forts of San Juan de Puerto Rico.

**Earthquake in Italy.**  
ROME, May 14.—There was a violent earthquake in Sicily, this morning, extending southward from Mount Etna and reaching the Mino and Caltagirotte. Houses were wrecked at Binasco, and the locality of Mount Etna and at Bampasso.

**He Knows, You Bet!**  
WASHINGTON, May 14.—Captain Sampson has not contributed any further details of his engagement at San Juan, and whether the Department knows exactly the whereabouts of Sampson at this moment is doubtful.

**Reservoir Broken.**  
ARLICK, Kans., May 14.—Floods, caused by the recent heavy rains, broke the Santa Fe reservoir at Manchester, flooding the low lands along Mud Creek. Manchester's damage is heavy and much damage was wrought in the lower part of Abilene.

**Quit Crying and Fight.**  
WASHINGTON, May 14.—Spain protested to France against the Harvard's being allowed to remain in Martinique ports, to make repairs; that France repudiated upholding the right of the Harvard.

**MARKETS.**

**Cattle and sheep.**  
CHICAGO, May 14.—Cattle—Receipts, 300; steady to strong; heaves, \$4.00@5.10; cows and heifers, \$3.40@4.65; Texas steers, \$3.80@4.40; stockers and feeders, \$3.75@4.30.

**Sheep—Receipts, 3,500; steady; native sheep, \$3.10@4.40; westerns, \$3.75@4.33; lambs, \$3.75@5.20.**

**Kansas City Stock.**  
KANSAS CITY, May 14.—Cattle—Receipts, 100; steady to strong; native steers, \$3.90@4.15; Texas steers, \$3.85@4.50; Texas cows, \$3.10@4.35; native cows and heifers, \$2.65@4.80; stockers and feeders, \$3.40@5.35; bulls, \$3.25@4.10.

**Metal Market.**  
NEW YORK, May 14.—Silver, 50%; Lead, \$3.50; Copper, 11.

**Money Market.**  
NEW YORK, May 14.—Money on call steady, at 3 per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 5@6 per cent.

**Chicago Grain.**  
CHICAGO, May 14.—Wheat—May, \$1.44½; July, \$1.04½.  
Corn—May, 35½; July, 20½.  
Oats—May, 25½; July, 20½@21.

Amoskeag gluing 5 cents, at Brooks & Co.

#### M. E. CHURCH NOTES.

The Calendar is rejoiced to notice as an strong spirit of patriotism among the children of the church and public schools. It will not be said of the coming generation.

"Brethren there a man with soul so dead, Who never to himself hath said, This is my own, my native land?"

Miss May Patton leaves next week for a visit to her home in Muscatine, Iowa. She has made friends with all and won a high place in the esteem of the people of the church and the city. All join in the hope that she will come back to us again.

The ninth anniversary of the Epworth League of our church Sunday evening, May 15, beginning at 7:30. May Epworth Leagues all over the world will join with us in keeping this ninth birthday. Miss Bocher, our third vice-president, has arranged a fine program, and the local League invites all friends to come.

There will be another of those social soirees at Mrs. Gatchell's, on Seventh street next Friday evening, May 20, under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid and Epworth Leagues. A musical and literary program will be one of the features of the evening. Cake and coffee and a "perfectly splendid time" follows. Do not miss this treat. Admission ten cents and refreshments ten cents. Everybody invited.

**Friends of the Woman's Home Missionary Society:** This society has undertaken to pay the tuition at the Harvard Home, Albuquerque, N. M., of Rosa Maria, daughter of our Mexican pastor of Las Vegas. The amount is about \$200, but is not fully met. The cause is a noble one—the education of a bright Mexican girl in a school surrounded by sweet religious, Protestant influences. Who will spare a dollar, or fifty cents, or a quarter, to help with the required amount. Payments may be made to Miss Salder or Mrs. Kellogg, and will be thankfully received.

#### FIRST FROM OUR BOYS.

To the Editor of the Optic.  
SAN ANTONIO, Texas, May 11th, 1898.—The boys are all in good health and spirits. We have more "hard bread," corned beef etc., than we can consume. Of course we miss home comforts; but a soldier's life is rough at best. Our officers are all excellent men, and do all that is in their power for the men. We enjoyed the trip hugely, being given a perfect ovation from Las Vegas to San Antonio.

Col. Wood, on inspecting the New Mexico boys, said he didn't wish to show a more desirable troop in appearance. It is possible that Galveston, or even Havana or Manzanilla, will be our port of call within a week or ten days, as we were informed this morning that if we wished to have any letters, at this post, that we should write at once, as we would go to the front forthwith. For a week our postoffice will be at San Antonio.

There are nine troops of the First U. S. Volunteer Cavalry now on the ground, and more en route. I will correspond with the Optic at every point, so that the Las Vegas people will hear of our movements, actions, casualties, etc., so far as possible and proper.

God bless the Optic, all the people of Las Vegas, New Mexico and our country. Yours in the service,  
A. B. MORRISON.

#### LEIFELD'S, THE PLAZA.

An Optic reporter, passing through the westside, the other day, was pleased to notice the magnitude and substantial character of the warehouse which Charles Leifeld, the prince of New Mexico retail merchants, is erecting in the "L" of his magnificent store rooms.

The reporter was again impressed with the magnitude of Mr. Leifeld's invested interests in this city, his being by long odds the largest, most elegant, most thoroughly equipped, and most completely stocked retail establishment in New Mexico. The reporter cannot speak from personal knowledge, but he doubts if Denver contains a store in every way superior, and he is confident that the remainder of Colorado, and all Texas and Arizona combined, cannot afford its equal.

Such an establishment as that of Charles Leifeld would attract attention even in Chicago, St. Louis or New York. Of course, then, it is an honor not alone to Las Vegas, but to all New Mexico. The people of Las Vegas realize this, and yet it is well enough to remind ourselves occasionally of the fact. A place where only the best is kept, and yet where everything can be found which the family needs, apart from its food, is undeniably a blessing to the city of its location. Hence it is that Las Vegas is proud of Leifeld's, and congratulates itself on such a possession.

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### MAY BE OR MAY BE NOT

#### Spanish Admiral May Try to Bombard Charleston.

#### BUT VENEZUELA'S FAR AWAY

#### And There's Where He Was at Last Accounts.

#### ARE FLYING FOR SWEET LIFE

LONDON, May 14.—According to the reported plans of the Spanish Admiral he may, when he hears of the two squadrons operating against him, try to avoid them both and bombard the city of Charleston.

**Spanish Fleet Sailed.**  
ST. PIERRE, Martinique, May 14.—Nothing can be seen of the Spanish fleet from here.

The Spanish torpedo gunboat *Terror*, of the Cape Verde fleet, is still at Fort de France, but nothing can be seen of any other vessels from here.

**After the Oregon.**  
WASHINGTON, May 14.—The Spanish fleet has again been sighted about 100 miles off the coast of Venezuela. This move is a surprise to the Navy Department officials, who can only surmise that the Spanish Admiral desires to avoid an engagement and is waiting an opportunity to make a dash for Cienfuegos or Havana. The fleet, when sighted, was going at full speed, and had steamed about 650 miles since last heard from off the west coast of Martinique, two days ago.

**Schley is All Right.**  
FORTRESS MONROE, via Pilot Boat, May 14.—As soon as the Flying Squadron was at sea, active preparations were made to meet the enemy. The ships were stripped for action, all lights covered, ammunition supplied the guns, and the men sent to fighting quarters. The ships are all ammunitioned to full carrying capacity, and will do desperate fighting. Commodore Schley when he retired said: "I have not been so happy in weeks. In action was killing me."

**Certainly Its Wife.**  
NEW YORK, May 14.—A special from Rio Janeiro, to day, says that the radicals in the Chamber of Deputies are about to declare in favor of the United States.

**Ministerial Changes to be Decided.**  
MADRID, May 14.—The Cabinet crisis continues. The list of ministerial changes will be decided upon as soon as possible.

**Spain's Usual Report.**  
MADRID, May 14.—A private dispatch from San Juan de Puerto Rico says that the damage done to the town by the bombardment is unimportant.

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**Spanish Fleet.**  
NEW YORK, May 14.—A dispatch to the *Herald*, from St. Pierre, Martinique, says: There is a flotilla of eight Spanish war ships and seven torpedo vessels in the vicinity of this island. It is supposed that a part of this flotilla is heading northwest. It is positively known that a part of the flotilla is cruising about Martinique, keeping watch on the United States auxiliary cruiser *Harvard*. The Commander of the *Harvard*, which is in the harbor of St. Pierre, asked permission to remain there seven days to make repairs to his disabled machinery. The time has been granted by the French authorities.

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**REPORT OF THE CONDITION** of the First National Bank, at Las Vegas, in the Territory of New Mexico, at the close of business, May 14, 1898:

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	\$219,163 50
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	22,301 93
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	100,000 00
Stocks, securities, etc.	36,833 73
Banking-house, furniture and fixtures	30,000 00
Other real estate and mortgages owned	20,043 00
Due to National Banks (not Reserve Agents)	46,836 50
Due from State Banks and Bankers	1,711 80
Due from approved reserve agents	35,083 35
Checks and other cash items	3,124 25
Notes of other National Banks	3,000 00
Fractional paper currency, nickel and cents	323 26
Legal money reserve in bank, viz:	
Specie	\$22,150 70
Legal tender notes	14,000 00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent. of circulation)	4,500 00
Due from U. S. Treasurer, other than 5 per cent. redemption fund	480 00
Total	\$604,461 60

**LIABILITIES.**

Capital stock paid in	\$100,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	3,696 33
National Banks outstanding	90,000 00
Due to other National Banks	42,817 47
Due to State Banks and Bankers	17,844 77
Individual deposits subject to check	205,221 86
Due from U. S. Treasurer, other than 5 per cent. redemption fund	105,072 77
Cashier's checks outstanding	47 40
Total	\$604,461 60

**TERRITORY OF NEW MEXICO,** COUNTY OF SAN MIGUEL, ss: I, A. B. SMITH, Cashier of the above-named bank, do hereby certify that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
A. B. SMITH, Cashier.  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14th day of May, 1898.  
[SEAL] S. T. MILLS, Notary Public.  
Correct—Attest: JOSHUA S. RAYNOLDS, A. A. JONES, L. B. ADAMS, Directors.

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OF LAS VEGAS.

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Surplus - - - 50,000

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J. M. CUNNINGHAM, President.  
FRANK SPRINGER, Vice-President.  
D. T. HOSKINS, Cashier.  
F. B. JANUARY, Assistant Cashier.

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Lot 1	Plaid and stripe Percale Waist, red, collar and cuffs same material	39c	Lot 5	Fine Wash Silk Waist, light colors only, white collars soft cuffs, blouse front, were \$5.00, now	\$4.25
Lot 2	Madras, in check, plaid and beautiful combination in colors	89c	Lot 6	Japan Silk Waist, in red and navy blue, tucked in front, were \$5.00, now	\$4.65
Lot 3	Zephyr Gingham Waists, a very fine				